

METHODS OF CONTROLLING AXONAL GROWTH AND REGENERATION

Abstract

5 Agents which modulate a *bcl* family member to control axonal growth and
regeneration are described. These *bcl* modulating agents promote axonal growth and
regeneration in the neural cells of a subject. Compositions for promoting axonal cell growth
in a subject also are described. The compositions of the present invention include an
0 effective amount of an agent which modulates a *bcl* family member and in a pharmaceutically
acceptable carrier. Other described aspects include packaged drugs for treating a state
characterized by diminished potential for axonal growth. The packaged compounds and
agents also include instructions for using the agent to promote axonal growth in a subject.

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